

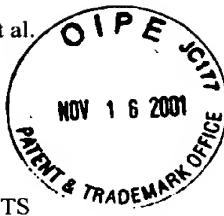
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

This Amendment responds to the Official Action mailed August 16, 2001. The Applicants thank Examiners Yu and Dudash for the courteous and helpful interview held October 30, 2001. The Examiners indicated that they would be inclined to withdraw the obviousness rejection if the shear rate limitations from Claims 6 and 7 were incorporated into independent Claim 1. Moreover, the Examiners suggested certain editorial amendments to improve the clarity of the claim language, such as the deletion of the intended use limitation "cosmetic" and the word "type" from the claims, and the word "maximum" from the shear rate limitation. The claim language has been amended in accord with these suggestions, and the Applicants now respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection of record.

IN THE CLAIMS

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--1. (Amended) An oil-in-water emulsion comprising
(A) a hydrophilic surface active agent,